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Senate Bill 202 (S-1)

Topic: Liquor—Interest in Supplier
Sponsor: Senator Sanborn
Co-sponsors: Senators Richardville, Kahn, Van Woerkom, Kuipers, Barcia, and Pappageorge
Committee: Senate Economic Development and Regulatory Reform

Date Introduced: February 5, 2009

Date of Summary: February 11, 2009

The bill amends Section 603 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998 by clarifying that a supplier is not prohibited from having an interest, directly or indirectly, in another supplier.

The bill also permits the Liquor Control Commission to approve a wine maker participating with one or more wine makers in an alternating proprietor operation, a brewer participating with one or more brewers in an alternating proprietor operation. These approvals would be subject to R 436.1023 (3) of the Michigan Administrative Code and written approval of the United States Department of Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade.

A manufacturer is prohibited from having any interest, directly or indirectly, in a wholesaler. A wine maker is prohibited from collectively delivering wine, with any other wine maker, to retail licensees. The bill defines "manufacturer" and "supplier".

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